

# *First Presbyterian Church*

Whiteville,  
North Carolina  
"To be a light in our  
community reflecting  
Christ's love and  
compassion..."

*Third Sunday in Lent*  
March 4, 2018



THIRD SUNDAY  
*In Lent*  
THE LAST DAYS OF  
JESUS:  
WEDNESDAY'S  
QUIET PLOT

Rev. Dr. Joseph D.  
Washburn

## *Gathering Around the Word* Prelude *The Humphreys*

Welcome, Announcements, Joys and Concerns

Call to Worship

Gather together to worship God!

**We gather to reunite with God's purposes.**

Gather together to walk with Christ!

**We gather to make our way to the cross.**

Gather together as disciples committed to holy life!

**We gather to live the faith fully in our lives.**

\*Hymn of Praise 218  
"Ah, Holy Jesus" (choir sings verse 1)

\*Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession

Forgiving God, we come before you as sinners who hate to admit our sin. We are aware that we participate in small crucifixions in our lives, sometimes by remaining silent in the face of injustice. We are quick to point the finger at others' offenses, and we are quick to take offense. We show little grace and yet hope for your grace to be bestowed upon us. This season, may we change our ways as we walk the path of repentance. We lift this prayer in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

\*Choral Response

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

\*Assurance of Forgiveness

In the name of Christ, against whom the greatest offense was given in the midst of his innocence, we are forgiven.

\*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning,

is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Prayers of the People, The Lord's Prayer

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\*Passing of the Peace

### *Proclaiming the Word*

Time with the Children

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Lesson

Mark 14:1-2

This is the Word of the Lord;  
Thanks be to God!

Sermon

"The Last Days of Jesus: Wednesday's Quiet Plot"

Rev. Dr. Joseph D. Washburn

### *Responding to the Word*

Call for the Offering

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare"

Choir

\*Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him, above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

As a sign of community, please hold the bread until all are served;

As a sign of personal faith, please partake of the cup as you receive it

Prayer following Communion

\*Hymn of Commitment

**"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"**

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\*Charge and Benediction

Music in Preparation for Service to the World

## NEXT WEEK

Scripture: Luke 4:1-12

Sermon: "The Last Days of Jesus: Thursday's Kiss"

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

**WELCOME!** We welcome you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! May today's worship open you to God. *Your entire family is welcome*, but we do offer a nursery for children birth to 3 years of age located in the education building behind the sanctuary.

**Prayer Concerns:** Geraldine Becker; Kathryn Clark; Dolores Harris; Bob High; Rita & R. L. Lewis; Nick Logan; Grace Palmer; Rhonda Scott; Mike Spivey; Walter Strickland; Nancy Thurston; David Trogdon.

**Assisted Care:** Arlene Blaha; Anna Jane Collier; Charlene Hinnant; Ellen Thurston.

**Friends:** Pat Allen; Sara and Rob Armstrong; Annette Caldwell; Penny Carmean; Mary Cherry; Eli Clark; Billie Joe Conrad; Shari Dutton; Jerry Ford; Robert Gurkin; Gail Hedgecock; Rick Hedgecock; Shelby Hodge; Roger Kennedy; Lindsey Leake; Benny McBride; Daphne McLeod; Jerome McPherson; Helen Dasher Millman; Don Morrison; Gail Moye; Donna Parker; Angie Pinkston; Floyd Pridgen; Theresa Rappa; Hollis Salyer; Barbara Shepherd; Scott Short; Ken Smith; Ronnie Thayer; Gail Townsend; Frank Youngblood; Joe Youngblood.

**Please notify the office when names can be removed.**

 <p><b>Confirmation Class</b></p> <p>Sunday, February 25 5:30 pm Sunday, March 11 5:30 pm Sunday, March 25 5:30 pm</p>	 <p>For safe and secure online tithing through the Presbyterian Foundation, sign up today at <a href="http://www.fpcwhiteville.org/giving">www.fpcwhiteville.org/giving</a> or scan the QR code.</p>	 <p>COMMUNITY <b>Lenten</b> SERVICES</p> <p>Wednesday February 28 March 7, 14, 21, 28 Whiteville United Methodist Church</p> <p>12:00 pm</p>
 <p><b>Family Night Supper</b></p> <p><b>Rescheduled</b></p> <p>Wednesday, March 7 6:00 pm Elders in charge: Sally Medford and Debbie Viets</p>	 <p>Annual Meeting</p> <p><b>Rescheduled</b></p> <p>of the Congregation and Corporation</p> <p>Wednesday, March 7 During the Family Night Supper</p>	 <p>WEDNESDAYS <b>TOGETHER</b></p> <p>Lenten Series: Lamb of God</p> <p>Wednesdays March 14, 21 6:30 pm</p>

## CHURCH CALENDAR:

Sunday, March 4:	Handbell Rehearsal 5:30 pm Youth Meeting - 6:30 am
Monday, March 5:	Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:00 pm Nuts & Bolts Meeting, Conference Room - 6:30 pm Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Tuesday, March 6:	Ladies Bible Study, Conference Room - 9:30 am Morning Circle, Conference Room - 11:00 am Evening Circle, S. Blackmon - 7:00 pm
Wednesday, March 7:	Whiteville Community Lenten Service, WUMC - 12:00 pm Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 5:00 pm Family Night Supper, Fellowship Hall - 6:00 pm Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation, Fellowship Hall - 6:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Thursday, March 8:	Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 10:30 am Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Saturday, March 10:	Southeast Oratorio Genealogical Society, Fellowship Hall - 1:00 pm
Sunday, March 11:	Daylight Savings Time Begins: Spring Forward! Men's Breakfast, Fellowship Hall - 8:30 am Confirmation Class - "Who is Jesus?" - 5:30 pm
Monday, March 12:	Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
<b>Contact the church office: 910-642-2253</b> <b>Pastor Joe: <a href="mailto:pastorjoe@fpcwhiteville.org">pastorjoe@fpcwhiteville.org</a></b> <b>Cell: 910-625-8023</b> <b>Live-Stream of Service: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/fpcwhiteville">www.facebook.com/fpcwhiteville</a> or Channel 1304 (Spectrum)</b> <b>Find us on Twitter and Facebook!</b>	
<b>OFFICE HOURS: 8:30 am - 1:30 pm, M-F</b> <b>Karen: <a href="mailto:karen@fpcwhiteville.org">karen@fpcwhiteville.org</a></b> <b>Website: <a href="http://fpcwhiteville.org">fpcwhiteville.org</a></b>	

Nursery Team:	3/4: Ben & Sydney Kilpatrick	3/11: Ethan Scott
Sound Team:	3/4: Jonathan Medford	3/11: Jonathan Medford
Backpack Ministry:	3/4: Men of the Church	3/11: Young Adult Sunday School
Head Usher:	March: Anne Branch	

- Sympathy extended to the family of Ken Thurston following his death on Sunday, February 25, 2018
- Congratulations to Bethany and Tyler Boyles on the occasion of their wedding on Saturday, March 3, 2018.